

Central Virginia Transportation Technical Committee

828 Main Street, 12th Floor
September 10, 2015 at 10:30 a.m.

MINUTES

URBAN MEMBERS

PRESENT

Christopher Arabia.....Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation
Jeremy Bryant.....Amherst County
Lee Beaumont.....Liberty University
Paul Harvey.....Campbell County
Richard Metz.....Campbell County Citizen’s Representative
Brad Robinson.....Bedford County
Rick Youngblood.....VDOT-Lynchburg District

ABSENT

Doyle Allen.....Bedford County Citizen Representative
Josh Baker.....GLTC
Mark Courtney.....Lynchburg Regional Airport
Michael Gray.....VDOT-Salem District
Jack HobbsTown of Amherst
Tom Martin.....City of Lynchburg

RURAL MEMBERS

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Rick Youngblood.....VDOT-Lynchburg District

ABSENT

Doyle Allen.....Bedford County Citizen Representative
Michael Gray.....VDOT-Salem District
Johnnie Roark.....Appomattox County
Russell Thurston.....Town of Brookneal
Bart Warner.....Bedford City
Dan Witt.....Town of Altavista

OTHERS PRESENT

Brian Casella.....VDOT
Gary Christie.....Local Government Council
David Cook.....VDOT
Philipp Gabathuler.....Local Government Council
Vlad Gavrilovic.....Renaissance Planning
Nishant Patel.....VDOT
Matt Perkins.....Local Government Council
Bill Wuensch.....EPR

Minutes

1. Call to Order

Chairman Paul Harvey called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

2. Approval of the August 13, 2015 Meeting Minutes

Upon the motion of Richard Metz to approve the minutes of August 13, 2015 as presented, seconded by Rick Youngblood, the meeting minutes of August 13, 2015 were approved unanimously.

3. Continued Discussion of the Central Virginia Long Range Transportation Plan

Bill Wuensch provided an update to the CVLRTP and presented the draft plan and technical appendix. Wuensch noted that the project list consist of two parts, the constrained list and the vision list. He noted that the Six-Year Improvement program list is the Constrained List as those projects consume the available funding. The remainder of the identified projects will remain on the vision list until further funding becomes available. Wuensch also noted that the project map lists the priority projects and their ties to economic development.

Upon a motion by Richard Metz to recommend the Central Virginia Long Range Transportation Plan 2040 to the Central Virginia Metropolitan Planning Organization for adoption, duly seconded by Rick Youngblood, this motion passed unanimously.

Wuensch announced the Public Meeting scheduled for this same evening, September 10, and noted that the Plan 2040 would be brought to the CVMPO in October for adoption.

4. VTrans2040 Multimodal Transportation Needs Assessment Update

Vlad Gavrilovic presented and overview of direction and review of the goals of the VMTP regional network needs assessment as it fits into the overall VTrans2040 update.

Gavrilovic stated that the justification of needs has been placed with it serving an economic purpose and addressing one or more transportation deficiencies. Additionally, he reviewed the economic conditions and transportation conditions of the region and how those conditions translated into the draft transportation needs listing. He stated that it is important to remember that the draft transportation needs listing is “needs focused” not project specific.

Gavrilovic defined next steps and provided some additional advice on HB2 applications, most notably being as specific as possible in describing how the HB2 project submission correlates to VTrans2040.

Rick Youngblood stated that rural entities needs in the VTrans2040 Plan are not adequately addressed, though Region 2000 is not as affected as those counties that surround the region. Youngblood also emphasized that the VTrans2040 is the key to HB2 project application success.

5. Matters from the Committee

Chris Arabia noted that the application process for 2016 tax credits for private sector businesses to upgrade or expand their telework program runs through October 31 and further information can be found on the DRPT website.

Arabia also announced that September 21 – 25 is Try Transit Week and provided some highlights of the program.

Rick Youngblood noted that VDOT received funding for an additional STARS study and also received SHRP2 funding from FHWA for use of software called PlanWorks to do a strategic plan for the RT 29 Corridor in Campbell County (from the Airport south to Calohan Road).

6. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Richard Metz, seconded by Rick Youngblood, and with no objections being heard, Chairman Harvey adjourned the meeting at 11:33 a.m.

Signed: _____

Paul E. Harvey, Chair